

REMENHAM NEWSLETTER



**PARISH TEA PARTY - SUNDAY 5 JUNE
PARISH HALL GARDEN 3.00pm
FREE TO ALL PARISHIONERS
(SEE PAGE 2)**

No 286 – May-June 2022

HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE



The Remenham Parish Hall Committee is organising a wonderful weekend to celebrate Her Majesty the Queen's Platinum Jubilee.

The main event for Remenham will be a tea party on **Sunday 5 June at 3.00pm** in the Parish Hall garden. This will be free for all parishioners but with a cash bar. We hope to include something special for all children under 16, including the Jubilee mugs which are very kindly being commissioned by the Parish Council. Those who were resident for the diamond jubilee 10 years ago will remember how absolutely fantastic it was!

We are also planning a concert in the church early in the evening on Saturday 4 June, and a flower festival over the whole weekend. Further details will be circulated nearer the time.

If you haven't already done so please could you **let Sue Laing know how many of you would like to attend the tea party, with names?** Please also let her know the names and ages of any children and grandchildren in the parish under 16. **If you have a gazebo which you could bring if the weather is unkind please also let Sue know.** Please email Sue on sue@homefarmemail.co.uk.

If you would like to take part in the **concert** on Saturday 4 June (which will be a collection of varied performances by groups or individuals of all abilities, and instruments of all shapes and sizes) **please email Felicity Rutland** on felicitymrutland@gmail.com.

The Copas Partnership has most generously offered the parish one of its hospitality pavilions near the Start of racing during Henley Royal Regatta (Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday -28/29/30 June), to raise money for the parish/church. They can accommodate up to 20 people, to be used for small corporate or private parties, catering to be provided by the lucky winner. These units fetch between £400 and £800 on the Thursday which has tended to be a popular day for entertaining. We need to let the Partnership know by 15 May whether we can take them up on this offer, so we are holding a Silent Auction for it. Please make a bid to Sue Laing by midnight on 14 May (email above).

THE CHURCH OF ST NICHOLAS

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3rd Sunday

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4th Sunday

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5th Sunday

Glen Palethorpe

Ruth Palethorpe

NORMAL SERVICES

11.15am

Matins (BCP)

First Sunday

11.15am

Holy Communion (BCP)

Second Sunday

11.15am

Matins (BCP)

Third Sunday

11.15am

Holy Communion (BCP)

Fourth Sunday

11.15am

Matins (BCP)

Fifth Sunday

Parish Office: Monday & Tuesday 9.30am-12.30pm, Wednesday & Friday 9.30am-4.30pm

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Friday 1 July 2022

Sept-Oct 2022

Friday 19 August 2022

Friday 26 August 2022

Nov-Dec 2022

Friday 28 October 2022

Friday 4 November 2022

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Friday 13 January 2023

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CHURCH CLEANING

May	Rosemary Duckett	Minnie Wilson	Jenny Morrow
June	Mike Dowsett		

ALTAR FLOWERS (rota organised by Penny Whitfield)

May
June

PARISH REGISTER

Funerals

25 March	Anne Loretto Barron
12 April	Terence Alban Gibson (internment of ashes)
13 April	Heather Anderson

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PARISH DIARY *(See articles for more information)*

May

1/2 May Henley Arts Trail continues, various locations and including Remenham Artists

5 May Local Elections

9th 2.30pm WI meeting, Parish Hall (Brenda Milton, with flower arranging)

10th 7.15pm Parish Council meeting, Parish Hall followed by

10th Annual Parish Meeting, Parish Hall, 8.00pm

16-20th Filming of The Boys in the Boat, principally at Upper Thames

June

Weekend of 4-5 June Platinum Jubilee of Her Majesty the Queen

Flower festival all weekend

Saturday 4 June, evening Concert in the Church

Sunday 5 June, 3.00pm Village Tea Party in Parish Hall garden

13th 2.30pm WI meeting, Parish Hall (Adventurous Women)

13th 6.00pm Parish Council meeting, Parish Hall

17-19th Henley Women's Regatta

28th- 3rd July Henley Royal Regatta 6 days)



Further ahead

6-10th July Henley Festival

Sunday 4 September Remenham Fayre, Parish Hall and garden (tbc)

Saturday 12 September Annual Ride and Stride for churches

November Letters evenings (tbc)

March 2024 (yes, *really*, decision made already!!)

FROM THE EDITOR

There is a very great deal to say in this issue, which we are calling The Jubilee Edition! It is our opportunity to promote the activities in the Parish to celebrate her Majesty's amazing Platinum Jubilee, and we are therefore having the newsletter printed and distributed this time, so that you all have the details on your coffee tables. See page 2.

Before that however, for those who get (or read!) this in time please see details of the Henley Arts Trail, in which some of our own Remenham Artists are taking part (1/2 May, page 6).

*Then of course we have our local elections - please cast your votes next Thursday 5 May. I have included biographical notes about the 9 candidates for the Parish Council elections, but unfortunately I didn't receive them in electronic form before the print deadline so I have simply cobbled together what I could from the election leaflets produced. Apologies for the very poor quality!! **(For the email version these have been presented properly.)***

Of the other events that are coming up please see the Annual Parish Meeting (9 May, page 11), filming of The Boys in the Boat (16-20 May, page 16), the WI boat trip (20 June, page 13) and the annual Ride and Stride (12 September, page 15) - plus the Regattas and the Festival of course. Of events that have happened do read the WI report (page 12 - they have such fun) and see the Thespians photos (page 20). Don't miss Charlotte Every's poignant item of history (page 14) or Enda Cahill's stunning boathouse photo (page 21)!

Felicity, newsletter@remenhamparish.org.uk

LAST CHANCE!

THE HENLEY ARTS TRAIL - 30 APRIL, 1 & 2 MAY 2022

www.henleyartstrail.com



REMENHAM ARTISTS

Allan Henderson

Charlotte Martin

Cate Stuart

Jenny Law

David Law

We're on the move

We're going to have fun. Come and see us

At Venue 7:PHEASANTS

Mill End
Hambleden
(RG9 3BL)

Walk, cycle or by car: Plenty of car parking
space

10am-5pm



NEWS FROM ST NICHOLAS



Easter has now come and gone, and the dull days of Lent are over. Good Friday was celebrated with said Matins and our Easter day service of sung Holy Communion was very well attended. The Rector's family were all struck down with Covid and it was an enormous relief to the Churchwardens that he was spared and was able to take all our services. The church looked wonderful with many lovely flower arrangements and we send out grateful thanks to all the flower arrangers for their splendid efforts.

As promised in the last newsletter, the primroses in the Upper Churchyard have been wonderful and were well worth a look. We had a good bonfire up there in March and it all looks much tidier. The next thing that needs doing is cutting the hedge on the border with the Copas land and if anyone wants to take this on, do let us know!

The church will take an active part in the celebrations of Her Majesty the Queen's platinum jubilee in June with a flower festival over that weekend (please contact churchwarden@remenhamparish.org.uk if you would like to join the flower rota or just take part in the Jubilee flower festival) and a free concert in church on the evening of Saturday 4 June. Further details are elsewhere in the newsletter.



The church is open everyday if you want to pop in for any reason and we have a service every Sunday at 11.15am.

Best wishes to you all

Charlotte Every

Charlotte Every

John Laing

John Laing

Churchwardens, St Nicholas Remenham

FROM THE RECTORY

Dear Remenham friends,

I sit down to write this letter on the feast day of St George the Martyr, who replaced Edward the Confessor as England's patron saint from the fourteenth century, when King Edward III made him patron of the Order of the Garter. It seems a fitting day to write this letter, as we approach a period of national celebration both in England and throughout all the nations of the United Kingdom, as well as the Commonwealth.

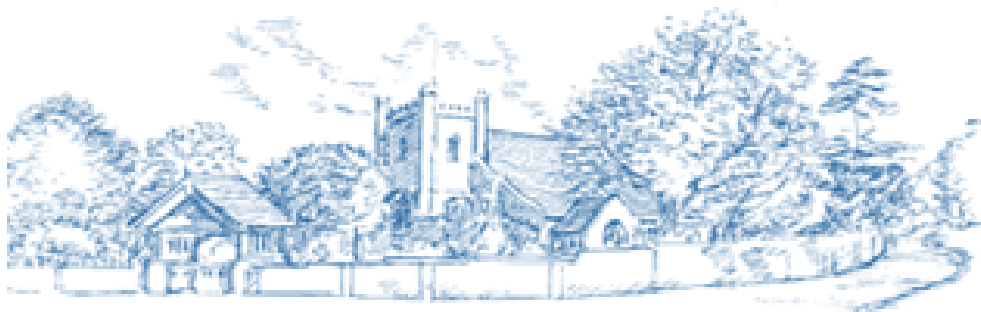
It's difficult to know where to start in paying tribute to Her Majesty The Queen. The length of her reign in itself is a remarkable achievement, and the sense of stability and continuity that she has provided during a period of very rapid change cannot be underestimated. And her model of service and discretion – qualities which have not always appeared to be in fashion amongst heads of state – is a humbling example to anyone in any position of leadership or responsibility.

What has for me been even more interesting, and also humbling, is the way in which particularly in recent years she has become a rather more effective advocate for Christian faith than we clergy seem capable of being! At a time when the Church of England seems to many to have rather lost its way, our Queen not only embodies that quiet faithfulness which certainly was always the heart of authentic Anglicanism, but is also able to speak convincingly from personal experience of the power of her faith to motivate and support her through the changes that life brings.

So let us heartily celebrate the coming Jubilee, giving thanks for our Queen's service and example, praying that God would continue to bless her in her duties, and would continue also to bless this and every nation over which she is head of state.

With my prayers,

Fr Jeremy



REMENHAM PARISH COUNCIL

There is no report from the Parish Council because of pre-election rules. The Parish Clerk has provided the following:

May 5th is a day to enact democracy locally. A full list of candidates is on the noticeboard and website. Apologies for the related forced cancellation of the April RPC meeting at short notice.

Could I personally thank Pat Sly for (amongst many other Parish contributions) undertaking the internal audit of RPC in a thorough and friendly manner – but has now decided to step down.

As at the end of March this year RPC fixed assets comprised:

A bench on the A4130 (£290)	Mar 2015
A noticeboard (£1208)	Mar 2016
A laptop (£515)	Mar 2018
Sierzega traffic monitor (£1842)*	May 2019
Cycling towpath signs (£3699)	July and Sept 2020
Parish Hall bin (£504)	Dec 2020
Biodiversity towpath signs (£1081)	May 2021
Logs for parking control (£622)	June 2021
Wybone bins in Ferry Lane (£851)	August 2021
Parish Hall wall downlights (£138)	Mar 2022

The mode of operation of the downlights on the Parish Hall wall now needs to be decided by The Parish Hall Committee and residents in the immediate vicinity – I look forward to seeing the outcome.

Hopefully May will see a submission to residents (and then WBC Planning) of a proposal for modest grey block paving of the uneven area in front of the Parish Hall wall/gates – please provide me any thoughts you may have on this suggestion/plan.

As you know June sees the Queen's 70th Jubilee and RPC has agreed to provide a celebration mug for all children/grandchildren resident in Remenham through the auspices of the Parish Hall Committee, who will I am sure be wanting to know numbers very soon.

There may be a professional biodiversity report - describing the current situation in this lovely part of the country – and how it might be preserved/improved – presented at the May Annual Parish Meeting (APM). Please the attached notice of the APM.

The weather has been warm of late – with hopefully covid-19 less severe – please stay safe.

Paul Sermon (Clerk to RPC)

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Meetings are currently virtual but as soon as possible will be inside the Parish Hall on the second Monday in the month at the earlier time of 6.00pm, except on the evening of the Annual Parish Meeting (usually in May) when it is immediately beforehand. There is normally no meeting in August.

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ARTICLES FOR THE NEWSLETTER AND EDITORIAL POLICY

Please keep sending any interesting/topical items for possible inclusion.

Please also send photos or pictures of anything to do with the parish or which might be suitable for the front covers - **the stock of such things is currently very low!**

The editorial team reserves the right to edit, amend, précis or reject articles. The opinions expressed are those of the authors of the articles and not necessarily those of the editorial team.

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REMENHAM ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

Parish Hall

Tuesday 10 May 2022

8.00pm

**(following an RPC meeting (including its AMPC)
at 7:15pm)**

All residents are welcome to attend, to speak on any matter and join us
for refreshments

BUSINESS TO BE TRANSACTED

1. Apologies for absence
2. Signed Notes of the last APM
3. Matters Arising
4. Chairman's Report
5. Financial Report - The Clerk
6. Matters raised from the floor

Signed: _____

Cllr John Halsall
Chairman

Date: 29th April 2022

RPC apologises for the change of date/time previously advertised and shown in the printed Newsletter

REMENHAM W.I.

March

The Book Club met early in the month to discuss *Three Women and a Boat* by Anne Youngson. Although ill equipped and inexperienced, the ladies cope with all the challenges of canal boat life. With several members familiar with narrow boating, the story brought back many memories and provided an enjoyable read.



A warm welcome was extended to Sue Ryan, who spoke about her connection with the Henley Literary Festival. She has been connected with this festival for many years and has been successful in inviting many well-known dignitaries to participate. It was fascinating to see how the festival has progressed over the years.

At this meeting, members had been asked to bring a colourful item from abroad. We had, among many articles, a statue of "Mrs. Pringle" from Barbados, a beautifully hand painted shopping bag from Lagos, a kimono from Japan, a plate from France and a wonderful hand-painted pony from North America. The owners of these artefacts all gave a brief description of the memories that were evoked by these colourful items.

April

The Book Club read up for discussion this month was *Summer's End* by Amy Myers. The story is set just before the outbreak of WW1 and is a village saga. There were many characters with whom one had to become acquainted and it is a detailed story of village life at that time.

Four members from Remenham attended the Berkshire WI Annual Council Meeting in Reading which was an interesting morning, with speakers from the Trussel Trust and the RBH. With the latter, it was interesting to hear how all the handmade items we submit are put to such good use by the patients. The main speaker, Mary-Jess Leaverland gave a captivating and inspiring account of her life and experiences through school and university, leading towards her winning the Chinese version of the X Factor.

Our speaker this month was Phil Simms from the Henley Standard. Phil first gave a brief history of the paper and its associations with our town. It was fascinating to have such an insight into the workings of our local paper and to hear about how each edition is put together, from reporters and photographers to proof readers and editors. Phil's talk led to many and varied questions from the floor, ranging from the paper's approach to contentious issues, the number of papers printed and the number of staff employed.

The meeting ended with a Dingbats Quiz which led to much head scratching and sighs of frustration! The raffle was won by Caroline Leeming.

As always our meeting ended with delicious sandwiches, cakes and tea!

Members are looking forward to their coffee, cake and chatter morning at the Berkshire Gardener at the end of the month, plus Brenda Milton and flower arranging on 9 May and 'Adventurous Women' on 13 June - and the book club of course.

Please contact Daphne on 07919 358979 if you would like any information on our group.

Daphne Austen, President



**WOULD YOU LIKE TO JOIN US ON A
SALTERS' BOAT TRIP FROM MARLOW TO HENLEY?
MONDAY, 20 JUNE, 2022 - £16.50 PER HEAD**

Remenham W.I. have booked this trip (for our party only) as our Summer Outing and would love to share it with others as we are only a small group.

The boat will depart from Marlow at 1.00pm, arriving in Henley at 3.15pm. If travelling by bus to Marlow, it seems that the latest convenient bus would be the 800 departing from Bell Street at 11.33am arriving Marlow 11.59.

There will be no refreshments on sale on the boat except tea and coffee. Our members will be taking their own sandwich/cake.

If you have never taken this trip before (or even if you have!), you will surely enjoy a lovely afternoon on the river.

Please contact: Pat Sly, patsly@tinyworld.co.uk or 01491 577925

PARISH MAILING LIST

If you would like to be added to the parish mailing list to receive the Parish Newsletter and other Remenham news, please email charlotteevery@gmail.com. The Remenham Newsletter is usually circulated by email, although for this special 'Jubilee Edition' it is being printed and distributed to every household in the Parish.

AN ITEM OF LOCAL HISTORY

Visitors to St Nicholas may have noticed a window in the church porch dedicated to George Hawkes aged 28, accidentally killed on Sunday October 9th, 1932. I have always been intrigued as to what had befallen this young man who was obviously very popular as the window was erected by “relatives and friends”. I contacted Norman Topsom, a keen local historian, who many of you will remember as the bewiskered station master at Henley and Twyford. Norman duly sent me several cuttings from the *Henley Standard*, and I am most grateful to him for finding out a bit more about George Hawkes.

George Hawkes spent all his live in Remenham – his father was sometime ferry man at Aston and at the time of his death George was living at 8 Council Cottages in Remenham and was a very popular young man and excellent sportsman playing cricket and football for the Remenham Athletic Club and a member of the Sports Committee of Remenham Flower Show. He was also a special constable and interested himself in many aspects of Remenham live.

On Sunday 9th October, George had met his fiancée Alice Lovegrove in Shiplake and walked back to her home in Friday Street for tea. They had then gone back to Shiplake by train, George had taken the train back to Henley and then walked back to Remenham up Whitehill. At about 11.15pm various Remenham residents had heard the sound of breaking glass and a thud but could see nothing in the dark. At 5.30am the next morning Walter Pickett, bicycling from Wallingford to Uxbridge saw something on the footpath near Squires Garage (now Whitehill Services) and alerted the village policeman who lived in the police house on Remenham Hill. PC Bird duly discovered the body lying in a large pool of blood. Marks on the footpath showed that the body had been dragged some distance by a car.

Between the time of the accident and the discovery of the body, a motorist called at Maidenhead Police Station and reported he had hit something between Henley and Temple golf course. However, the police found nothing but when the body was discovered Lord Howard of Effingham, heir to the Earl of Effingham, re-appeared at the police station and was charged. I don't have the following week's edition of *The Henley Standard* but Wikipedia tells me: In October 1932, Lord Howard of Effingham was charged with manslaughter after an inquest found that he had knocked down an agricultural labourer in his car. However, the case was dismissed when it came to the magistrates court at Maidenhead – which sounds a bit dodgy to me and would certainly bear out more research. The inquest was chaired by the then Rector, the Rev Rees-Jones and the very well attended funeral was hold on 13 October at Remenham church .



Charlotte Every



SAVE THE DATE - Saturday September 10th.

WHY? It's the annual Ride & Stride event!

This national event happens every year in every county. In 2021 Berkshire raised nearly £25,000 which was terrific and this year we want to do even better. Any mode of transport is fine – you could walk, cycle, ride - simply choose a route and find lots of sponsorship from all your friends and family.

You can go by yourself or in a group, any time between 10am and 6pm and many people make a day of it. There are so many wonderful and interesting churches to visit, many will be open and offering refreshments too.

There is also the Daphne Barnes-Phillips trophy which is awarded to the most successful church each year – this is a splendid silver cup and currently resting with St Peter's Woolhampton as they raised the most sponsorship in 2021.

Your nominated church will benefit hugely as they will receive half of your sponsorship. The remaining 50% goes to Berkshire Historic Churches Trust which in turn makes generous grants to churches in need.

More details will be provided closer to the event from your local co-ordinator or from the BHCT Ride & Stride website <http://www.berkschurches-trust.org.uk/ride-and-stride>

Prue Matchwick

Berkshire Ride & Stride Co-ordinator

FILMING IN REMENHAM - *THE BOYS IN THE BOAT*

From 16 to 20 May a film crew will be in Remenham shooting scenes for an exciting sounding film. The Location Manager Iggy Ellis has met with Nigel Gray, John Halsall and others and I have also spoken to him and agreed to be the 'Local Resident Contact' for conveying any relevant messages to parishioners. They sound very organised and determined to keep disruption to a minimum. There will however be quite a lot of large trailers and a marquee parked somewhere, probably on Copas land near Temple Island, but there is a Traffic Management Plan in place. A letter to local residents is being prepared and should be circulated shortly. The good news is that there will be a donation to the Parish Hall!



Synopsis

The Boys in the Boat is an adaptation of Daniel James Brown's 2013 book telling the true story of the University of Washington rowing team's journey from obscurity to upsetting the odds and claiming gold for the United States at the Berlin Olympics of 1936; set against the backdrop of depression, poverty and the rise of Nazi Germany.

Filming will centre on Upper Thames Rowing Club, which is being transformed into a 1930's location for the Pacific Coast Regatta. Filming on the river will be of the start of a race and the end, and of the crowds attending. Many extras are being drafted in, and applications would still be considered (let me know) - but we are warned that it can be quite tedious if not gruelling and with no guarantee that any footage will be aired. The film is being directed by George Clooney but we are urged NOT to expect to see him, and onlookers are discouraged! For more information see <https://www.imdb.com/title/tt1856080/>

PARISH COUNCIL ELECTIONS - THURSDAY 5 MAY 2022

NINE CANDIDATES, 7 VACANCIES

Franky Cookson



In 2001, my late husband and I moved into our Victorian farm cottage in Middle Culham. This is at the eastern end of Remenham, where I have magnificent views over the rolling hills across the river towards Hambledon and beyond. I feel very privileged to live in such a beautiful environment. My career background is in advertising and marketing. I founded and ran (for 22 years) an agency with household-name clients. Since selling my agency I have become a marketing consultant, offering branding, marketing and PR to small businesses, particularly in the food and farming sector. My hobbies include cooking for my family and friends – and travel. I also enjoy writing. I have been a Remenham Parish Councillor since 2016, with responsibilities for the content of the parish website. But I have also spent the last six years trying to address litter and speeding issues around this end of the parish. The task is ongoing.

Peter Grace

I have lived in the Remenham area for over 22 years. I work locally & I was born in Hare Hatch, Wargrave.

I have two sons who when younger were very involved in the local community. My younger son still is.

If elected onto the Parish Council, I would get involved with Planning & Highways. Being part of the Council to help protect the area I have called home for so many years would be a great pleasure and an opportunity to put more back into our little Hamlet of Remenham.



John Halsall



I wake up every morning with huge gratitude and joy that I have been lucky to have lived in the village for more than forty years. I have been a Parish Councillor for twenty-four years (mostly as Chairman), Borough Councillor for eleven years and Leader of the Borough council for three years. I have tried to protect the village from undesirable progress and development but have welcomed that which does no harm. I have assiduously defended the Green Belt, limited the impact of events and traffic, and most importantly ensured that the vulnerable in the village were safeguarded.

Polly Hogan



I have lived in Aston since 2010, I love our village and the surrounding area, I feel very lucky and privileged to live here and would like to play my part in keeping and improving the unique beauty of our parish.

I have a particular interest in the upkeep of the footpaths and the lanes. I walk locally everyday and regularly drive and cycle throughout the area.

Our community matters to me a great deal and I look forward to bringing a common sense approach to help address any concerns from within our neighbourhood.

John Merkel



Cynthia and I are delighted to live in such a vibrant village community. I have been very pleased to be a member of the Parish Council. We seem to have been constantly engaged with refurbishment and building since we moved to Green Cottage in 2010. I was born in the United States but have been in England since 1988.

I am a lecturer in Conservation and Materials Science at University college London specialising in metal artefacts, Archaeometallurgy, early metallurgical sites in the Near East and South America.

On the Parish council I have been the main driver on the Neighbourhood Plan, Planning and the planned Wargrave Road path. I am the man on the ground at Marsh Mills.

Natalie Mitchell (Grace)

I have lived in Remenham for the past 5 years. In 2020, Peter & I got married, & had our reception in the local Flower Pot pub - keeping it in & supporting our local community.

I run a very successful local driving school, & have taught many of the local 17 year olds to drive, with great success. I have other instructors who work with me, to help out in other areas around Remenham. I am also the local chair of the Driving Instructor Association.



Getting onto the local parish council, I would love to support the Highways & events sections, to try to help sort out the traffic issues for events.

Darrel Poulos

I have lived in Henley and Remenham for 36 years. I am married with four children who have now all flown the coop. I work part time as a Management Consultant and have run my own company since 1989. I am a professional skipper of vintage boats on the Thames and I am part of the Winter Resilience Team at Heathrow to clear snow when needed. I am a member of the Gil Poulos Memorial Trust (Chairman), Henley Traffic Strategy Group, The Henley Regatta Safety Committee, The Wokingham Regatta Safety Committee, The Henley Players Management Committee, Marlow FM as a Business Programme Presenter. I have formerly chaired the Thames Valley Police/Strategic Independent Advisory Group and have been Governor at Gillotts School Henley.



Bill Ronald



Jacky and I moved to Aston 14 years ago where we discovered and refurbished our home. Like many in the area we frequently count our blessings on the basis of our delightful rural environment. My early career was in Chocolate at Mars Slough. More recently I have been a portfolio Non Executive Director for a variety of businesses and am a mentor with the FTSE Mentoring Foundation. As a keen walker I roan our Parish marvelling at the scenery and curing the litter louts. As a frequent user of the lanes I am keen to see them appropriately maintained for cyclists and car drivers. As a Councillor I will push to deliver this.

Nigel Williams

I have lived in Remenham Hill on the edge of Park Place Estate for 17 years.

I was a well travelled TV broadcast engineer, before retiring a few years ago.

My interests now include Nordic walking, exploring the beautiful countryside in our parish and up in the Chilterns.



WHATSAPP LOCAL GROUPS

To add your names to the Remenham group contact Janette Brown on 07768 166764 or janette1brown@yahoo.co.uk and for the Aston one contact Charlotte Every on churchwarden@remenhamparish.org.uk.



Some highlights from The Remenham Thespians' recent production (Photos courtesy of David Binney)



REMENHAM PARISH HALL



Normal hire charge: £25.00 per hour (minimum two hour booking).
Commercial hiring charges by negotiation

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For further information and bookings contact

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This stunning photo was taken by Remenham photographer Enda Cahill as he walked back along the towpath after the Thespians performance on 2 April.

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